

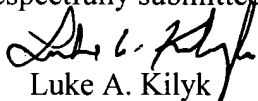
**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Prior to calculation of any filing fees and examination, the entry of this amendment is respectfully requested. Full support for the amendment can be found throughout the present application.

For instance, the first multiple read object read mode for outputting a first read data after reading a first read object and then outputting a second read data after reading a second read object, as recited, in part, in claims 29 and 43 of the present application is fully supported by the description of Multi-1, at page 19. Additionally, claim 35 of the present application is fully supported by the description of standard mode, Multi-1, Multi-2, and Multi-3 in the present application. Furthermore, the recitation of a selectable function corresponding to the read operation mode, as recited in claim 51 of the present application, is fully supported in the specification at pages 45-46. Accordingly, no questions of new matter should arise and entry of the amendment is respectfully requested.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this Preliminary Amendment, please charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0925. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 not accounted for above, such extension is requested and should also be charged to said Deposit Account.

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